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RESOLUTION REGARDING LOCAL CONTROL OVER TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND TOBACCO-SMOKE CONTAMINATION

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WHEREAS, local governments are closer to the citizens and the local issues that affect them; and

WHEREAS, local governments are better able to offer local solutions to local issues; and

WHEREAS, Clark County is made up of 1.4 million citizens, including senior citizens and children with local needs; and

WHEREAS, the Clark County Health District is made up of representatives from all local government municipalities throughout Southern Nevada and is established to address health and safety issues; and

WHEREAS, Clark County's University Medical Center is a primary provider in the treatment of smoking-related diseases in Southern Nevada; and

WHEREAS, study after study by the Centers for Disease Control, Surgeon General's Office, Scientific Advisory Board for the Environmental Protection Agency, and other well-respected research organizations have found that environmental tobacco smoke, also called "second-hand smoke," causes illness, disease and death.

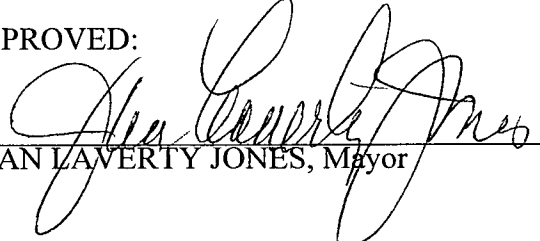
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Las Vegas does hereby proclaim that it is in the best interest of public health to allow control of tobacco products and tobacco-smoke contamination in public places, not only by the State, but also by local

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1 governments responding to local community needs, and to amend NRS 202.249(4) to read as follows:

2 4. An agency, board, commission or political subdivision of this
3 state, including any agency, board, commission or governing body of
4 a local government, [shall not] may impose more stringent restrictions
5 on the smoking, use, sale, distribution, marketing, display or promotion
6 of tobacco or products made from tobacco than are provided by NRS
7 202.2491, 202.2492, 202.2493 and 202.2494.

8 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of March,
9 1999.

10 APPROVED:
11 By 
12 JAN LAVERTY JONES, Mayor

13 ATTEST:
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15 BARBARA JO RONEMUS, City Clerk

16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
17 Val Steed 3-8-99
18 Date

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